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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Topp, et al.) Group Art Unit: 1713
Application No. 09/834,420) Examiner: Robert D. Harlan
Filed: 13 April 2001)
For: *Composite of a Vulcanizable Rubber*)
Composition and Cured Rubber Product) Peoria, IL 61602-1241
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Mr. Harlan:

In response to the Office Action, Paper No. 6, dated 24 February 2003,
applicants submit the following response and amendment:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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